

EFFECT OF KITCHIN'S COURSE A PROBLEM

Capitol Speculates as to Whether He Will Lose Place as Leader.

What effect the action of Congressman Kitchin in opposing the Administration's war resolution will have upon his influence as the party leader in the House is one of the questions presented at the Capitol today as the nation prepares for war.

The war resolution was adopted at 3:15 o'clock this morning by a vote of 373 to 50. Mr. Kitchin was among the fifty opposing the resolution. His speech was the most earnest delivered during the more than fourteen hours of debate. The spectacle of the Administration leader opposing the resolution was one that furnished the House one of its real sensations in an epochal day.

Yet when Congressman Kitchin suggested that Congressman Hefflin ought to resign as party leader there was practically no applause. A few minutes later, a few from the Democratic side, more from the Republicans.

Later Congressman Burnett of Alabama assailed Mr. Hefflin for suggesting such a thing.

The Outstanding Event.

The defection of Democratic leader Kitchin was easily the outstanding event in the House debate. His opposition was unexpected by all but a few of his intimate friends. When other leaders heard of Mr. Kitchin's intention to speak against the resolution they urged him at least to remain silent and merely vote against the resolution.

Congressman Pat Harrison, one of the Democrats of the Foreign Affairs Committee, appealed to Mr. Kitchin to remain silent.

The effect of Mr. Kitchin's attitude upon the wavering pacifists was feared in Administration circles. After his speech Administration supporters increased their efforts to muster an overwhelming vote. Postmaster General Burleson, the usual Administration emissary to the House, was soon seen about the corridors.

Mr. Kitchin spoke with unusual deliberation, reading his speech from manuscript—something he very seldom does. He enunciation was deliberate and he spoke with almost a tremor in his voice. He was plainly wrought, and when he spoke the chamber after speaking he was on the verge of tears.

Cost Party Some Votes.

At Mr. Kitchin's first announcement that he would vote against the resolution, there was applause from perhaps a score of pacifists. When he had concluded both sides of the House applauded him, but the applause was for Kitchin, the man, and his conscientious opposition to the reasons for opposing the war resolution, rather than for the sentiments Kitchin expressed. Nevertheless, Administration leaders said later, the Kitchin speech had cost the resolution a number of votes.

Mr. Kitchin reached the height of earnestness when, after a momentary pause in the middle of his speech, he said:

"My friends, I cannot leave my children lands and riches. I cannot leave them fame. But I can leave them the name of an ancestor who, mattering not the consequences to himself, never hesitated to do his duty as God gave him to see it.

"Half the civilized world is now a slaughterhouse for human beings. This nation is the last hope of peace on earth, good will toward men. I am unwilling for my country by statutory command to pull up the last anchor of peace in the world and extinguish during the long night of a world-wide war the only remaining star of hope for Christendom.

"The Only Remaining Compass."

"I am unwilling by vote today for this nation to throw away the only remaining compass to which the world can look for guidance in the paths of right and truth and justice and humanity, and leave only force and blood to chart hereafter the path of mankind.

"By the passage of this resolution we enter the war and the universe will become one vast drama of horrors and blood, one boundless stage upon which will play all the evil spirits of earth and hell. All the demands of inhumanity will be let loose for a rampage throughout the world. Whatever be the future, whatever be the rewards or penalties of this nation's step, I shall always believe that we could and ought to have kept out of this war."

Mr. Kitchin said he had reached a decision to vote against the war resolution after prayer for guidance and with a full realization of the possible consequences to himself.

"Profoundly impressed with the gravity of the situation," said Mr. Kitchin, "appreciating to the fullest the penalties which war will impose, my conscience and judgment, after mature thought and fervent prayer for rightful guidance, has pointed out clearly the path of my duty, and I have made up my mind to walk in it, if I go barefooted and alone. I have come to the undoubting conclusion that I should vote against this resolution."

Had No Single Doubt.

"If I had a single doubt I would dissolve it in favor of the view of the Administration and of a large majority of my colleagues, who have so recently honored me with their confidence. I know that I shall never criticize any member for advocating this resolution. I concede, I know, that he casts his vote in accordance with sincere conviction. I know, too, that for my vote I shall not only be criticized but denounced from one end of the country to the other. The whole yelling pack of the defamers and revilers in the nation will, at once, be sickened upon my heels.

"In my judgment we should keep out of the war with Germany as we kept out of the war with Great Britain by keeping our ships and our citizens out of the war zone of Germany as we did out of the war zone of Great Britain, and we would sacrifice no more honor and no more rights in the one case than the other."

Mr. Kitchin referred to the invasion of American rights in Mexico. The United States, he said, had not gone to war in Mexico, although the American flag was shot at, American lives lost, and American property ruthlessly destroyed.

Hefflin Humiliated.

Congressman Thomas Hefflin, an Alabama Democrat, told the House that he had been humiliated by the stand taken by Mr. Kitchin.

"If I had made it," he said, "I would

have first resigned as majority leader, and after making it I would resign my seat in the House."

This statement was hissed from the floor, most of the hisses apparently coming from the Republican side.

"You may hiss, you who represent the Kaiser and not the President of the United States," shouted Hefflin.

The galleries and a few members applauded this statement. Mr. Fitzgerald, who was presiding, warned the galleries they would be cleared if there was a recurrence of the demonstration.

Congressman John Burnett, an Alabama Democrat, who is only five feet in height, belligerently assailed Congressman Hefflin, also of Alabama, because the latter had demanded "bel resignation of Mr. Kitchin as majority leader. The mace, symbol of authority in the House, was brought out by the sergeant-at-arms to stop Mr. Burnett when he insisted upon speaking beyond the allotted time.

"Start a petition and see how many men will sign it to have Mr. Kitchin resign," shouted Mr. Burnett, addressing Mr. Hefflin. "Are you going to enlist? Are you going to resign? Would you vote for conscription in this country?"

The confusion in the House was great, but above the uproar Hefflin was heard shouting that he "would resign if necessary."

"A son of my sister has been on the border, and my son will go as soon as he is old enough," yelled Hefflin. "I will go if it becomes necessary."

Mr. Hefflin's arraignment of the pacifist group brought approving handclaps.

"You who have large populations of German constituents," he said, "think you are playing to them by opposing this resolution. As a time of fact you reflect on their honesty and patriotism. I know of Germans who have offered to serve the American flag. I wish they had been here to hear Mr. Kitchin and Mr. Burnett."

All Have Violated Rights.

Pointing to the large oil paintings of Washington and La Fayette that hang near the Speaker's rostrum, Chairman Fitzgerald, of the Appropriations Committee, invoked the spirit of those heroes in declaring his support of the war resolution and pledging every resource at the hands of Congress to prosecute the conflict to a successful termination.

"Practically all the belligerent nations have violated American rights," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "but the one nation that has been contemptuous of the rights of all others, the one nation that has shown no regard for American rights, is that nation which tonight is brought before the bar of our public opinion and upon which we pass judgment."

"No one can charge that Woodrow Wilson has hurried us into this war. I regret that war must come. But if we are to retain our self-respect, if we are to encourage those patriotic virtues without which we cannot exist, if we are not to be the laughing stock of the world, if we are not to be regarded as a nation of degenerates and cowards, there is nothing else to do but acknowledge that Germany has made war upon us and we accept it."

"Although it will not be particularly pleasing to me, I believe it is the duty of the United States to cooperate with every other nation now engaged in making war against this enemy to the end that we may

make common warfare against the common enemy of civilization."

Here are the names of House members voting against the war resolution: Almon, Bacon, Britten, Browne, Burnett, Cary, Church, Connolly (Kansas), Cooper (Wisconsin), Davidson, Davis, Decker, Dill, Dillon, Dominick, Esch, Frear, Fuller (Illinois), Igou, Johnson (South Dakota), Keating, King, Kinkaid, Kitchin, Knutson, La Follette, Little, London, Lundeen, McElmore, Mason, Nelson, Randall, Reavis, Roberts, Rosenberg, Sherwood, Sloan, Stafford, Van Dyke, Volgt, Wheeler, Woods (Iowa), Hays, Hayes, Hensley, Hilliard, Hull (Iowa), Shackelford, Miss Rankin.

WOULD "DRY" NEW YORK

Anti-Saloon League Will Use "Billy" Sunday Organization.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Should the legislature pass the proposed Hill-Wheeler city local option bill, it was predicted yesterday that "a drier territory would come in for characteristically vigorous discussion on the part of Billy Sunday during his three months' quest for trail hitters here.

In a statement issued yesterday William H. Anderson, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York, announced that nothing would be done to change the Sunday meetings from being held at the evangelist's headquarters, for the purpose of preaching undiluted gospel of the old-fashioned variety. But, Mr. Anderson added, the organization left here after the departure of Mr. Sunday would be asked to use all of its powers to comb the city, block by block, to obtain signatures that would bring the question of saloon closing to a vote at an early date.

TO VACATE CANAL ZONE

Wives and Children of Americans Are Ready to Leave.

Wives and children of Americans in the Panama Canal Zone are ready to leave for the United States on a moment's notice. In case of siege the Canal Zone will be cleared of all but necessary American canal employees and the armed forces of the United States.

The Canal Zone produces nothing in the way of the necessities of life. Should a blockade be established, there might be intense suffering in the zone. By having the wives and children of American employees return to the United States until the war is over, the population on the isthmus will be greatly reduced, and the commissary warehouses can be stocked up with sufficient provisions for a siege of several months.

MARE KICKS OFF SALE

Old Jennie Objected to Auction and Only Brought \$7.50.

WROUGHTSTOWN, Pa., April 6.—It was a scandalous tale of the old family mare, resented being auctioned off at the sale of the late Isaac Percey's effects recently. Farmers who intended bidding formed a ring in the barn yard, but Jennie kicked them into the next yard in a jiffy and sent John Kilpatrick, of Newtown, banking against a stone wall.

"That mare's worth \$50 on condition alone," called Auctioneer Cornell, safely outside the wall; "but I'm obliged to knock her down to the only one of you scared bidders for his paltry \$7.50."

MANY MUD GEYSERS IN THE SALTON SEA

Steam From Them May Make Electricity and Pump Water for Irrigation.

EL CENTRO, Cal., April 6.—Although the historic mud volcanoes which border the Salton Sea, down near the Mexican border, were perhaps, discovered long ago, it had been but recently that intrepid parties have had sufficient courage to venture to the brink of these fiery kettles of steaming quagmire for the devout purpose of photographing miniature volcanoes, so to speak, in their native haunts.

Throughout the process of filming the turbulent masses of bubbling clay those who made the trip were constantly aware of the hazardous features so closely involving their future ambitions. It was no easy task to approach a mud pot without a reminder that one was apt to become entrained in a cloak of smearing and very hot mud.

There is probably nothing quite so actively real to be found in California as the numerous mounds on the verge of a dead sea, which are in a state of continued eruption.

In reality there are baby volcanoes, which, like warts on a cucumber, prominently dot the earth's surface at the southern end of the lake. They vary in height, ranging from one to ten feet, and in formation may be likened to the Vesuvius crater, throwing out gases, steam and all. From the lip of the crater a brown, sulphuric slime runs down the hot, steep sides, while within there is a steady rumbling and at minute intervals a discharge of hot ashes is shot from twenty-five to seventy-five feet into the air.

The roar may be heard for miles. The volcanoes were well known to the early residents of this section. With the pouring of the water of the Colorado river into the Salton sink these volcanoes were covered and finally subside. During the last year their activity has been resumed and they have proven so extraordinary that none but the brave has dared approach. They are on what, a few months ago, was the bottom of the Salton Lake, 270 feet below sea level. It is only with difficulty that they can be approached owing to the fact that the surrounding ground is soft and oozy.

And how they are going to saddle the obstreperous volcanoes and make them useful to man. By adopting the plan used at Lardello, Tuscany, by which live steam from subterranean depths is used to operate turbines and generate electricity, water may yet be conducted to additional hundreds of thousands of acres of land in the Imperial Valley.

Experts show that with the use of cheap and abundant electricity, water may be pumped to new high line canals, far above the present system. It is entirely possible that by use of powerful pumps and a comparatively short pipe line many square miles of land on both sides of the Salton sea may be irrigated.

The feasibility of the plan of using steam compressed below the earth's

surface has been demonstrated to be practical.

In the Italian plant operated with steam from 500 feet below the earth's crust in the geyser district, power is obtained to generate electricity that moves the wheels of industry over a wide countryside.

PAY MACARTHUR TRIBUTE

Newspaper Men Thank Baker and War Censor for Treatment.

Newspaper men at the State, War and Navy building have sent a letter of thanks to Secretary of War Baker and to Major Douglas MacArthur for the treatment accorded them since the establishment of a censor of military news.

It follows: "It seems quite likely that the days of action before us will see many changes in the corps of newspaper correspondents who have been assigned to the War Department for many months past. Some of us will go as soldiering and others into other fields of activity connected with the war. Changes will come, too, in the assignment of army officers whom we have learned to know here in the department, and before that time comes, we of the Fourth Estate wish to express to you, and through you, to Major Douglas MacArthur, our appreciation of the way he has dealt with us for all these months in his trying position as military censor.

"Our needs have compelled us to tax his patience at all hours of the day and night. We have never failed to receive courteous treatment from him. Although the censorship imposed was but a voluntary obligation upon the press, it has been kept faithfully, and we feel that it has been largely because of the fair, wise and liberal way in which Major MacArthur exercised his functions that this was possible."

The letter is signed by Edwin M. Hood, Associated Press; George N. Garvin, International News Service; Carl D. Groat, United Press Association; Richard V. Oulahan, New York Times; Lawrence Hill, New York Sun; A. N. Janssen, Central News; Grafton S. Wilcox, Chicago Tribune; Lowell Brown, New York Herald; Frank W. Connor, New York World; Irwin Barbour, New York American; L. W. Moffett, Cleveland Daily Iron Trade; L. Ames Brown, Philadelphia Record; Stephen I. Early, Associated Press; Hal H. Smith, New York Times; Albert W. Fox, New York Sun; Matthew F. Tighe, New York American; T. Holman Harvey, United Press; Arthur Sweetser, Associated Press; R. M. Boeckel, International News Service; K. L. Simpson, Associated Press; J. K. Dougherty, Washington Times; Leroy T. Vernon, Chicago Daily News; W. E. Brigham, Boston Evening Transcript; R. A. Zachary, Brooklyn Daily Eagle; Harry B. Hunt, Scripps-McRae Newspapers; Alfred J. Clarke, Washington Star; E. L. Sonn, Foreign Affairs News Service; O. McKee, Jr., New York World; and Aaron B. Rosenthal, Milwaukee Journal.

CHANCELLOR SELLS OUT.

WACO, Tex., April 6.—The German chancellor, Von Bethmann-Hollweg, yesterday sold part of the property he had owned in Waco for many years to A. Colvin, a cotton man. The consideration was \$7,700. The negotiation for the sale was conducted by Otto Rau, who is said to be Von Bethmann-Hollweg's agent here.

CANADA BUILDING "MUSHROOM" FLEET

Three-Masted Schooner Built in-Record Time Reaches New York.

NEW YORK, April 6.—With white water boiling over her scuppers and all sheets trimmed well in, the three-masted Canadian schooner Letitia T. Mackay romped into port yesterday morning in the spanking northwest.

The Mackay hails from the Bay of Fundy, and is the vanguard of a large fleet of schooners which will make their appearance in these waters soon—her Newfoundland skipper, T. A. Butler, says.

"Every village and hamlet along the Canadian coast has gone mad over the possibilities of building schooners for the coast trade," said Captain Butler. "They are being turned out in record time, because all the steam vessels which formerly plied in coastwise traffic have been taken over by the government for war service."

"They call us the mushroom fleet, because we are growing so quickly," he continued. "The Mackay received only one coat of paint, and even that refused to dry properly, as the Canadian fir used in her construction was so green."

Hundreds of vessels similar to the

Mackay have been laid down in shipyards which have sprung up overnight, according to the Newfoundlanders in the crew. Schooners have been found to be the quickest constructed of sailing vessels, besides being also faster than square rigged. One hundred and twenty-one schooners similar to the Mackay are being built in the United States, according to a report recently issued by the United States Bureau of Navigation. It is hoped to have them all in operation before June, when a second lot will take their places on the marine ways.

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